NearDet Operations

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From Last Meeting

Resolved Issues

▶ Clock system errors ~1/week: Fixed with Firmware Upgrade

Still unresolved

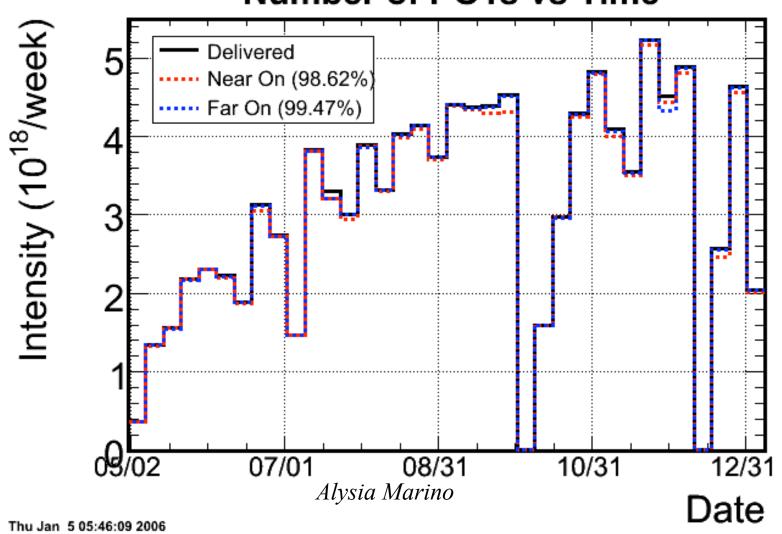
- ▶ Menu Failure: Continue at rate of ~4/week
 - October Meeting: Plan to replace blowing 12V fuses with resettable ones
 - Recent discovery that $\sim 1/4$ of blown fuses have other problems. This may indicate a risk, since resettable fuses are slower.
 - Test 10 crates x 10 weeks ~10 failures
- Datatype 7 error: Known fix to be implemented in shutdown. PROM replacement PROMs in hand.

MiniBooNe v's

- MiniBooNe Neutrinos have been seen in NearDet
 - Tingjung Yang, Hyejoo Kang, Simona Murgia, Stan, Wes, Dixon, P.S.
- All with 10/12 trigger so far
 - ► Trigger Set to 4/5 in mid-December
- Can we have more liberal trigger?
 - Options discussed by DAQ, Electronics, and Timing groups
 - MiniBooNe SGATEs complicated, involving many systems
 - "TrigPMT"-like option (Nathaniel) use fake hit to tag MB events in Trigger Processor
 - Special hardware has been produced by Gary Drake. Need to time in. Triggering modification during (or just before?) shutdown. Necessary?

Uptime

Number of POTs vs Time

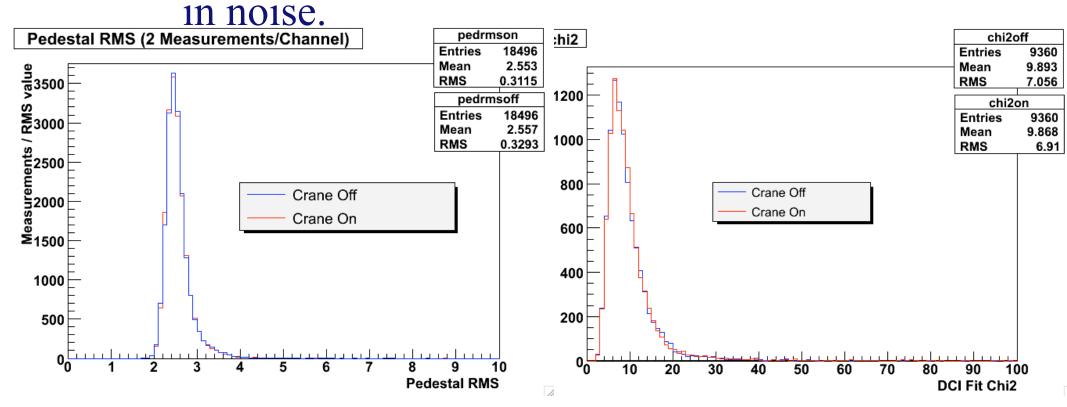


Crane Noise Studies

- Studies of effect of overhead crane operation on NearDet operations
 - Context of MINERvA installation
- Several runs taken in December with crane running and off
 - Charge Injection Calibration Validation
 - Singles
 - Physics (Cosmics)

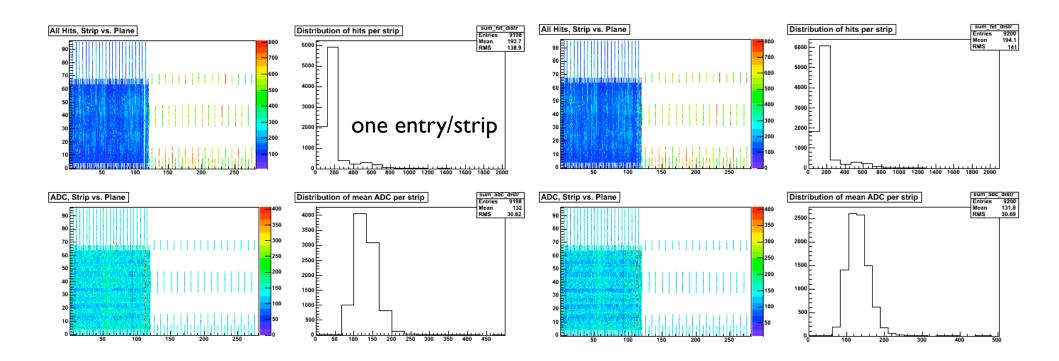
Charge Injection Validation

 Pedestal RMS and Chi2 of linear fit over dynamic range show no detectable increase



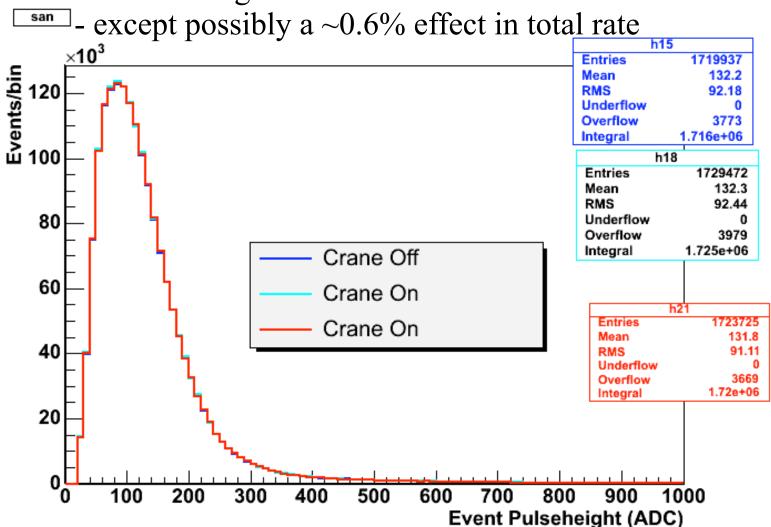
Singles Run

- M64 PMT threshold of $\sim 1/3$ PE
- All hits in triggered PMT above ~1/5 PE are read out
- No significant change in hit multiplicities or mean ADC/ strip



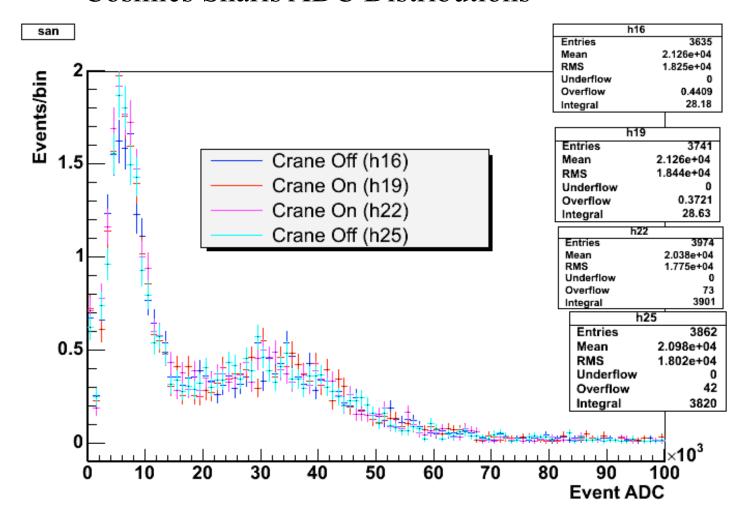
Singles, Cont.

No significant reproducible crane on/off effect in Singles ADC Distribution



Cosmics

No significant reproducible crane on/off effect in Cosmics Snarls ADC Distributions



Summary

- NearDet continues to operate with very high uptime
- No hint of significant impact from overhead crane operation in Cosmics, Singles, or Charge Injection
- Need to follow up with SGATEs.